section 7, be appointed by the Council constituted under sub-section (1) of that section and thereafter during the tenure of a Council constituted under sub-section (2) of section 7, by that Council.

(1A) Every appointment of the Director-General under sub-section (1) shall be made from a panel of at least two names recommended by the Government of India in the Ministry of External Affairs."

That at page 2, line 9, *for* the brackets, figure and alphabet "(1A)" the brackets, figure and alphabet "(1B)" be *substituted.*

That at page 2, line 10, *for* the brackets, figure and alphabet (1B), the brackets, figure and alphabet "(1C)" be *substituted.*

The questions were put and the motions were adopted.

Clause 3, as amended, was added to the Bill.

Clauses 4 and 5 were added to the Bill.

Clause 1, the Enacting Formula and the Title were added to the Bill.

SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH: Madam, I beg to Move:

That the Bill, as amended, be passed.

The question was put and the motion was adopted.

GOVERNMENT RESOLUTION

Resolution Approving Recommendations of Railway Convention Committee, 1999

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Shri Nitish Kumar to move the Resolution.

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI NITISH KUMAR): Madam, I move:

"That this House approves the recommendations contained in para 51 (with modification of 3 years time limit to 9 years) and in paras 49, 50, 52, 53, 54, 55 and 56 of the English Report of the Railway Convention Committee (1999) appointed to review the rate of dividend payable by the Railway Undertaking to General Revenues etc., which was laid on the Table of the Rajya Sabha on 24.07.2003."

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Here, we have thirty minutes for it.

SHRI NITISH KUMAR: Madam, we can pass it without discussion.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Okay, if the House agrees, we can pass it without discussion.

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Yes, Madam.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: The question is:

"That this House approves the recommendations contained in para 51 (with modification of 3 years time limit to 9 years) and in paras 49, 50, 52, 53, 54, 55 and 56 of the English Report of the Railway Convention Committee (1999) appointed to review the rate of dividend payable by the Railway Undertaking to General Revenues etc., which was laid on the Table of the Rajya Sabha on 24.07.2003."

The motion was adopted.

SHORT DURATION DISCUSSION

On the situation in Assam and Bihar due to Railway Recruitment Policy

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Shri Suresh Pachouri.

श्री सुरेश पचौरी (मध्य प्रदेश): आदरणीय उपसभापति महोदय पिछले कुछ दिनों से असम और बिहार में जो हिंसक घटनाएं हुई हैं, वे निश्चित रूप से हम सबके लिए बहुत चिंताजनक हैं। हमारे देश के जो पूर्वोतर राज्य हैं, जिनमें प्रमुख रूप से असम जो है, वह अत्यंत संवेदनशील है।

उपसभाध्यक्ष (श्री रमा शंकर कौशिक) पीठासीन हुए।

इसलिए इन राज्यों में हुई घटनाओं का जब हम जिक्र करें उसकी पृष्ठभूमि में जाएं और उन घटनाक्रमों का उल्लेख करें तो यह आवश्यक हो जाता है कि हम भावावेश में ऐसी कोई बात न करें जिससे इस देश की एकता और अखंडता प्रभावित हो, जो सहिष्णुता और भाईचारे का रिश्ता विभिन्न प्रदेशवासियों के बीच में है, वह प्रभावित हो। इसलिए जब ऐसे संवेदनशील राज्यों में हुए घटनाक्रमों का हम जिक्र करें तो बहुत संजीदगी बरतना आवश्यक है। चाहे हम हिन्दी गैर हिन्दीभाषी की बात करें चाहे हम बिहारी असमी परिधि की बात करें मेरी ऐसी मान्यता है कि जब संवेदनशील राज्यों में ऐसी दुर्भाग्यजनक घटनाएं घटित हों तब एक तो हमें इस बात पर विचार करना चाहिए कि